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SUBJECT: FRANCO-GERMAN COOPERATION IN FAST BREEDER AND  
HTR FIELDS

1. "NUCLEONICS WEEK" ISSUE OF FEBRUARY 19, 1976, CONTAINS  
ARTICLE SUMMARIZED AS FOLLOWS:

GERMANY AND FRANCE WILL POOL FORCES IN FAST BREEDER AND HIGH  
TEMPERATURE REACTOR FIELDS. COOPERATION WILL COVER R&D, CONCEPT  
STUDIES, TECHNOLOGICAL PLANNING, CONSTRUCTION, UTILIZATION  
OF REACTORS, MANUFACTURE OF COMPONENTS AND THE COMPLETE  
FUEL CYCLE. AGREEMENT CONTAINED IN JOINT DECLARATION BY  
MATTHOEFER AND D'ORNANO FOLLOWING RECENT TALKS IN NICE.

CEA AND INTERATOM WILL SET UP JOINT SUBSIDIARY WHICH WILL OWN  
ALL FAST BREEDER KNOWLEDGE OF ITS TWO PARENTS AND WILL GIVE  
LICENSES TO REACTOR SUPPLIERS. ALSO PLANNED IS COOPERATION  
AND KNOWHOW EXCHANGE AGREEMENT BETWEEN CEA AND FRENCH INDUSTRY  
ON ONE SIDE AND KARLSRUHE NUCLEAR RESEARCH CENTER AND INTERATOM  
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ON OTHER SIDE. FRANCO-GERMAN FAST BREEDER COOPERATION

PLANNED TO BE EXTENDED TO MANUFACTURES OF COMPONENTS, INCLUDING FUEL ELEMENTS. FRANCO-GERMAN COOPERATION IN HIGH TEMPERATURE REACTORS PLANNED TO FOLLOW SAME PATTERN. CEA AND GERMAN HTR INDUSTRY WILL SET UP JOINT SUBSIDIARY WHICH WILL GIVE LICENSES TO REACTOR COMPANIES. CEA AND JUELICH NUCLEAR RESEARCH CENTER WILL COOPERATE IN R&D OF BOTH HIGH TEMPERATURE REACTORS AND HTR REPROCESSING TECHNOLOGY. GERMAN AND FRENCH PARTNERS WILL TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION POSSIBLE COOPERATION WITH THE US.

COOPERATION AGREEMENT NOW REACHED BY THE TWO GOVERNMENTS IS BASICALLY A LETTER OF INTENT. MOTIVE FOR PLANNED COOPERATION IS COST SHARING.

2. EMBASSIES AND MISSION REQUESTED TO REPORT AVAILABLE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON SUBJECT, AND TO ASSESS IMPACT ON PROPOSED COOPERATION BETWEEN ERDA/FMRT AND ERDA/CEA CURRENTLY UNDER CONSIDERATION. INGERSOLL

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